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## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Dear Sir:

Claims 1-11, 13-37, and 39-97 are pending in the application. Favorable reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the courtesies extended to their representative Mr. Roe by Examiner Pham during the September 9 personal interview. The Remarks below are Applicants' record of the substance of the September 9 personal interview.

Claims 1-11, 13-37, and 39-97 are rejected in the June 3 Office Action. For at least the reasons set forth below, applicants respectfully submit that all of claims 1-11, 13-37, and 39-97 define patentable subject matter.